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IN THE U.S. PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE

In re application of: Roland CHERIF CHEIKH  
Conf.: 1738  
Appl. No.: 10/060,146  
Group: 1615  
Filed: February 1, 2002  
Examiner: R. Berko  
Title: DEVICE FOR LOCAL ADMINISTRATION OF SOLID  
OR SEMI-SOLID FORMULATIONS AND DELAYED-  
RELEASE FORMULATIONS FOR PROPOSAL  
PARENTAL ADMINISTRATION AND PREPARATION  
PROCESS

**RESPONSE**

Assistant Commissioner for Patents  
P.O. Box 1450  
Alexandria, VA 22313-1450

January 30, 2004

Sir:

Responsive to the election of species requirement imposed in the Official Action of December 30, 2003, applicant hereby provisionally elects the following species:

- 1) copolymers of polylactide-glycolide; and
- 2) implant.

Applicant believes that claims 73-80, 82-90, and 92-94 read on the elected species.

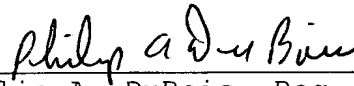
An early and favorable first action on the merits is earnestly requested.

Should there be any matters that need to be resolved in the present application, the Examiner is respectfully requested to contact the undersigned at the telephone number listed below.

The Commissioner is hereby authorized in this, concurrent, and future replies, to charge payment or credit any overpayment to Deposit Account No. 25-0120 for any additional fees required under 37 C.F.R. § 1.16 or under 37 C.F.R. § 1.17.

Respectfully submitted,

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